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Mail and passenger..... 4:48 p. m. 4:50 p. m.  
Local freight..... 11:30 a. m. 11:45 a. m.

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**BAXTER** No. 71  
A. F. & A. M., Neosho street.  
Meets the first and third Monday evenings of each month at 7:30. Visiting brethren fraternally invited.  
H. A. G. PERKINS, W. M.  
S. H. SMITH, Sec.

### CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

**DOWN COME SHOES!**  
The original warranted \$2.00 shoe for \$1.75 and a full stock calf shoe for \$1.25. Be sure and look at our men's brogans at \$1.15 and plow shoes for \$1.10. While in town put in a few moments looking over our stock of dry goods. We will guarantee to sell you goods as cheap or cheaper than any other store in fifty miles of us. These prices are for one week from to-day.  
A. M. PEAKE & CO'S.  
GREEN FRONT.

**JUST RECEIVED** a fine line of canned fruits, fancy crackers, preserves, extracts, fancy soaps, etc., at **BREWSTER'S GROCERY.**

Mrs. Stark invites the ladies to call and see her new stock of spring millinery. Also kid gloves, fashionable lace collars, ribbons, in fact everything that is new and stylish.

**SEED POTATOES**—Early Ohio from Iowa at **B. F. BROWN'S**.  
New gingham at **J. R. TUCKER'S**.

**TRY BREWSTER BROS. CASH GROCERY FOR FIRST CLASS GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES.**

Go to **Tucker's** for new gingham.

Six pounds of tea for a dollar at **W. E. TYNER'S**.

New spring goods at **Tucker's**.

**FOR SALE**—Three Black Warrior jacks, one 3 and one 2 years old, one 7 months old. For further information call on or address **R. A. HUBBARD, Lowell, Kan.**

New gingham at **J. R. TUCKER'S**.

**ORANGES AND LEMONS**  
Fresh at **W. E. TYNER'S**.  
New spring goods at **Tucker's**.

**FOR SALE**—A good young milk cow. Inquire of **Dr. Duncan**.

**FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE**—A good stallion. Will exchange for horses, mules or a 10-horse power engine. Address box 301, Galena, Kansas.

Go to **Tucker's** for new gingham.

I have open and for sale a large stock of garden seeds in bulk. These seeds are all new and northern grown and will give first class satisfaction.  
**J. J. FRIBLEY.**

Buy the misses' corset waists at **TUCKER'S**.

**SENECA MILLS FLOUR AT BREWSTER BROS. CASH GROCERY.**

A full line of Warner's corsets at **J. R. TUCKER'S**.

**FIGS** 15c a pound at **Brewster Bros. Cash Grocery**.

New spring goods now arriving at **J. R. TUCKER'S**.

Sheet blousing at **Brewster Bros. Cash Grocery**.

Ladies, patronize **Tucker** for your corsets.

Lunch or meals at **Ohlen's**.

Ladies, try a pair of the "Common Sense" \$2 shoes at **TUCKER'S**.

**BARGAINS IN RUBBER GOODS!**  
Secure your rubbers and arctics while they are going at a bargain at **B. F. BROWN'S**.

Another large arrival of the popular \$2 shoes at **TUCKER'S**.

**TEA! TEA! TEA! TEA!**  
The finest line in the city on which we defy competition in prices.  
**J. J. OGBORN.**

It looks very much as if March had "come in like a lion."

Galena has one case of smallpox in a secluded place under full control.

The appointment of **L. D. Brewster** for assessor gives general satisfaction.

The annual election for city officers will occur on Tuesday, April 1st, this year.

Lead and zinc are being found in large quantities at Carthage and vicinity.

The sagacious little ground hog must have seen his shadow on the 2nd of February.

**W. H. Rowe** is re-surveying and making an entire new map of the Baxter Springs cemetery.

**L. W. Fairbanks** sold his residence here last week and "pulled out" Monday with his family bound for Oklahoma.

**Dr. Irl Hicks** has a very bad lot of weather fixed up for us during this month. Read his forecast in another column.

Thursday was decidedly the "blizzardiest" day of the winter. The strong north wind blew snow and sleet all day.

The injury done to the front of Mrs. Stark's building by the late fire will be promptly repaired by the companies in which it was insured.

A two-story building is being erected at the Quapaw mission by the government to take the place of the one burned about three years ago.

The **Jack Horner O. P. R. A.**, etc., to be given Mar. 8 is to take the place of the temperance operetta, which was postponed until a future date.

The raw and freezing weather of this week probably caused a good many otherwise lively peach buds to "turn up their toes"—so to speak.

**Col. Weldy** of the Short Creek Republican thinks that if railroads would attach a meal ticket to their editorial tickets editors would travel more. Perhaps.

**Rev. A. G. Robb**, presiding elder of Fort Scott district, will preach at the M. E. church next Sunday evening and hold quarterly conference at 8 a. m. Monday.

We are a little surprised that **Col. Weldy** does not hasten to inform the other half of the world that there is a printing press factory running in full blast at Galena.

The bad weather this week has interfered much with work on the foundation for the butter and cheese factory. It will be put in as rapidly as possible, however.

**F. D. Pettit**, state Sunday school evangelist, will preach at the city hall this (Saturday) evening at 7:30 o'clock and will continue service during the following week.

The charter for the **Baxter Springs Butter and Cheese Company** has arrived and the directors will have a meeting to-day to elect officers and transact other important business.

**DIED**—At her home five miles west of Baxter Springs, Saturday, Feb. 22, 1890, Mrs. Hannah Amos, aged forty-six years. Funeral services were held Sunday last, conducted by **Rev. Miller**.

**Ex-Mayor J. B. Opperman** and ex-councilman **P. R. Slater** are talked of for councilmen from their respective wards. They are good men and can certainly be elected without difficulty.

**Mr. Bricker**, the projector of the windmill manufactory, has written to Mayor Harvey that he will return to Baxter Springs in a few days for the purpose of going ahead with the proposed enterprise.

We are informed that considerable petty thieving is going on about town and that in some instances the guilty parties are known, and they had better desist or steps will be taken to punish them as they deserve.

The several car loads of seed potatoes which arrived in this city the first of this week had better be taken from the sidewalk and placed in the southeast corner of the cellar and carefully blanketed for a few days.

Yesterday morning was decidedly the coldest of the present winter. Thermometers were reported as registering from five below up to zero at sunrise. The sun came out bright and clear and the atmosphere was soon considerably warmer.

**John West** and others have been fearful since the fire that the south wall of his building was so damaged by the heat that it will fall. It has been propped, and aside from the falling of a few bricks along the upper joist line, remains intact.

## B. F. BROWN'S "ALLIANCE" PRICE LIST.

13 lbs. of Granulated Sugar for \$1.00;  
14 lbs. Best Extra C Sugar for \$1.00;  
15 lbs. New Orleans Sugar for \$1.00;  
16 lbs. Light Brown Sugar for \$1.00;  
3 cans of Standard Corn for 25 cts.;  
3 cans Standard Blackberries for 25c;  
5 lbs. of Buckwheat Flour for 20 cts.;  
24 lbs. standard Corn Meal, 15cts.;  
4 boxes of Matches for 5 cts.;  
2 packages of best Soda for 15 cts.;  
3 lbs. Dried Grapes for 25 cts.;  
12 lbs. Hominy for 25 cts.;  
More to follow next week.

**B. F. BROWN.**

### TO OUR CUSTOMERS:

We will meet any prices made on goods in our line in this city or in any of the neighboring towns.

**J. J. OGBORN, The Grocer.**

Fine line crackers and fancy candies just in at **Brewster Bros. Cash Grocery**.

Best corn, 3 cans for 25c, at **J. J. Osborn's**.

Full line of children's shoes at **J. R. Tucker's**.

We have a full stock of queensware cheap. **J. J. OSBORN.**

Fine rye bread at **Ohlen's**.

Corn, bran, oats and other feed at **Brewster Bros. Cash Grocery**.

**CANDIES! CANDIES!**  
We carry a full stock of **W. A. Mount & Co's** best candies.  
**J. J. OSBORN.**

9 big bars of soap for 25c at **Brewster Bros. Cash Grocery**.

\$700 worth of boots and shoes, rubber goods consisting of imitation sandals, buckle arctics and Alaskas at **B. F. Brown's** at cost and below.

**CAPITO'S CITY BAKERY.**  
Fresh bread, cakes, pies, etc., every day. Lunch, cigars, tobacco, nuts and fruits in season.

**BAKING POWDER**—1 lb. 15c; ½ lb. 10c; ¼ lb. 5c at **J. J. OSBORN'S**.

Remember, I buy my goods for **SPOT CASH** and will sell you harness of every description cheaper than you can buy elsewhere, at the old reliable **Pioneer Harness Shop of Cherokee county**.  
**J. B. OPPERMAN.**

**L. C. Goodner** will pay the highest market price for butcher's stock. Inquire at **Drovers and Farmers bank**.

The twenty-fourth annual catalogue of the officers and students of the University of Kansas, for the year 1889-1890, is on our table. It is a handsome pamphlet of 130 pages and an exhaustive document. In the freshman class we find the name of **Arthur H. Crowell**; in the sub-freshman class **Fred D. Crowell** and **Addie Dangle**; and in the senior class **Seba C. Westcott**, all of Baxter Springs. In the school of music **Miss Clara B. Terrell** of this city is a student of the piano. It is with a considerable degree of pride that we mention the fact that Baxter Springs furnishes all the students attending the university from Cherokee county—five in all. The total number of students attending last year was 508, of which Kansas furnished 470 from 48 counties.

Here is a new swindling scheme against which the self-sufficient city man as well as the guileless agriculturalist should be on his guard. The sharper has a double fountain pen with two kinds of ink, one of which will fade. He writes an agreement with the ink that fades and the victim signs with the ink that does not fade. An entirely different agreement is afterwards substituted and the dupe finds himself confronted with a promise to pay.

The smallest town in the world to support a newspaper is **Oranda**, in Big Bend county, Oregon. There are three houses in the town and eight inhabitants—four men, three women and a little girl. Yet the News is published every week.—Exchange.

The above little item is peculiarly refreshing and encouraging to us just at present.

**Mr. Brewster** did not get to work in the Spring Branch as we predicted he would last week. The weather has been exceedingly discouraging this week. We hope he will be able to tackle the job in a few days. The two pumps and two engines are on the ground and partly put in place.

**Horace Austin** is still going down in his mining shaft as fast as the weather and circumstances will permit. The shaft is now over 70 feet deep and though not a "shine" has been found **Mr. Austin** is still firm in the belief that mineral will be found inside of 100 feet.

Old papers for sale at this office.

### In Reply to Tax-Payer.

Taxpayer's article in last week's News calls for some explanation which may possibly be here given. The **Stone & Gove** case is not disposed of because **Stone & Gove** have appealed from the decision of the referee which gave them \$1,100. We are willing to settle upon that judgment. In all other cases brought by **Stone & Gove** they have been beaten. The city is the assignee of **Mr. Maupin's** contract and **Maupin** agreed to pay \$2,000 for **Stone & Gove's** interest in the old Willard mill and five acres of land and the power. The power at the old Willard dam was of no money value. **Mr. Willard** and several others who were familiar with it have so testified. All that **Stone & Gove** had to dispose of that was of money value was the mill and land. That part we have never touched and do not care to touch. We are willing to pay **Stone & Gove** the \$1,100 found to be justly due them. Now, I understand that **Stone & Gove** have submitted a proposition to the city that they will settle for \$3,500! It is preposterous. I believe in paying our debts honestly and fairly. We are and always have been ready to pay an excessive sum for the old mill and power, but we have no choice now left us but to protect ourselves as best we can.

Now, as to the switch. Some time ago a petition signed by over one hundred representative citizens and taxpayers was presented to the city council asking an appropriation to protect those who had signed a certain bond guaranteeing payment of the right of way for the spur track. The council has been searching for ways and means to grant the prayer of the petition. Obstacles have been thrown in the way and legal means resorted to for defeating the construction of the spur track, until it has been finally dropped or abandoned. We have the best water power in the state. It is invaluable to the progress of the town if properly handled. There is no town in all this part of the state holding such advantages of future growth and permanence. We are throwing away our advantages by failing to put that switch in immediately. It will foster a growth in manufactories, the only true source of permanent growth in any city. Is it to be supposed for a moment that any new enterprise will even start there without railroad facilities? There will be no windmill factory, no foundry or brick yard working fifty hands during the summer. I venture to say that out of the ten heaviest tax-payers in our town at least seven will urge the immediate building of the spur.

The switch has gone glimmering, so has the water works. What next?  
**H. R. CROWELL.**

### JACK HORNER PIE! O. P. R. A.

The young people of the M. E. church are still alive and will give their last and best entertainment of the conference year at the city hall Saturday evening, Mar. 8. Selections from **Will Carlton** will be rendered. A historical address suited to the occasion will be made. Splendid musical selections will be given which will include the **O. P. R. A.** by a manager, a lady, a Dutch comedian and an Irish girl. This will give the people the best laugh they have had since the District School. After the program a big **Jack Horner pie** will be presented which will contain one hundred plums or more. Each person for the sum of 10 cents will be permitted to "put in his thumb and pull out a plum." Some of the plums will be comical, some will be nice, but each one will be guaranteed to be worth 10 cents.

An uncommon pleasant time is expected. The invitation is unlimited. Everybody come; admission at the door 10 cents.

**Chas. W. Daniels** received a valentine in the shape of an appointment as **United States commissioner** at **Baxter Springs** vice **C. G. Horner**. **Mr. Daniels** will administer the legal slipper to recalcitrant disturbers of the peace and quiet of poor lo with dignity and due force.

**Rev. Miller** will preach to his congregation next Sunday at 11 a. m. about the Methodist church. He will tell the people some things they do not know, which are exceedingly interesting about its early history, rules and practices, its present state, policy, work, etc.

### PLEASE CALL AND SETTLE.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to **McElhiney & Fribley** are requested to call and settle. The books are in my possession and I will consider it a great favor if parties who owe us book accounts will call in and pay us and save me the trouble and expense of sending a collector to call on them. Now come in and settle; if you have no money and can't get any come in and give me your note and let me square up the books.  
**Respy yours, J. J. FRIBLEY.**

## BREWSTER'S GROCERY.

We would call the attention of the citizens of **Baxter Springs** and surrounding country to our new line of staple and fancy groceries. We have constantly at hand a fine line of dried fruits, canned fruits, crackers, coffee, teas, candies, spices, baking powder, flour, mince meat, cheese, lard, butter, eggs, oatflakes, navy and butter beans, laundry and toilet soaps, granulated sugar (13 lbs for \$1), fresh kraut, maple sugar, cocoanuts, oranges, bananas, seed potatoes from Iowa, Early Rose and Early Ohio. If you need anything in the grocery line give us a call and we will endeavor to please you both in quality and price.  
**BREWSTER BROS. CASH GROCERY.**

### The "Stone & Gove" Case.

It appears that there are being circulated by those who should know better, certain untrue statements concerning the "**Stone & Gove**" case and to the end that a correct understanding of the case may be had by those who desire to be properly informed I make the following statement:

The first suit in the **Stone-Gove** matter was commenced about two and a half years ago; the second was instituted Aug. 23, 1889. The first was brought for recovery of damages in the sum of about \$10,000 and for an injunction which, if granted, would result in the removal of the **Baxter dam** or put it in the power of **Stone & Gove** to dictate the terms and conditions of a settlement. The second suit was an action for the recovery of \$2,400 damages caused by the maintenance and continuance of the dam during the two years that had elapsed since the first suit was commenced. At the time the second suit was begun it became my duty to appear for and represent the city of **Baxter Springs** in that suit, which I did by filing a demurrer to plaintiff's petition; this demurrer was the only defense of any character filed up to this time except an answer filed by **Mr. Dennison** upon behalf of the **Baxter Springs Investment Co.** I do not think any other paper has been filed to this day. Upon the demurrer filed by me in that case, and upon it alone, the arguments were made. I made as full and searching an examination of all authorities as I could find in my own library and in the libraries at **Columbus** and submitted a carefully prepared brief, and as I think, the only brief submitted for defendants. I think, from a late decision of our supreme court, that my demurrer must be sustained and if it is I shall certainly claim the whole of what credit there may be in it. I make this last statement from no conceit whatever, but simply because others appear to be evidently trying to rob me of that small fruit of my labor.

As to the first case, the one now pending, about eight months ago I read the petition filed in that case and the answer filed for the city of **Baxter Springs** et al. and immediately urged that a new answer should be filed setting up the special defenses so much talked of and so much depended upon for the reason that under the answer filed these special matters of defense were and are shut out and cannot be proved; after I became city attorney I urged upon our city council repeatedly that if they intended to fight that case they should have a new answer filed, but the city council have declined to take any action in the matter; I have urged the council to try to compromise and peaceably adjust that and all our troubles. The answer of one of them and the attitude of all but **Dr. Gregg** and the mayor was and is: "It won't be treating **Mr. Horner** right to take that out of his hands now!" The "taking it out of his hands" I never said a word about, but I submit that the members of the city council of this city have a higher duty than to consult the feelings of any one or dozen men—that their first duty is to the city.

Action should be taken in this matter—it is of vital importance to us. A new answer should be filed and a proper fight made, or a disclaimer of all liability in the matter, or a fair, peaceable and speedy settlement be made. What is going to be done?  
**SAMUEL H. SMITH.**

The **Seneca Dispatch** of last week tells us of a mining boom in that vicinity. Lead and zinc are being developed all around there. Down on the **Shawnee** reserve, just south of the **Peoria** land and between this city and **Seneca** a large face of solid lead has been found.

### Registration Books Open.

The poll books for the registration of voters of this city are now open at my office. Every voter is required to register at least once each year at least ten days before election, if he desire to vote. Books will close Friday evening, March 21, 1890.

**M. H. GARDNER, City Clerk.**

The News is \$1 a year. Subscribe.

**A Government Coal Oil Inspector examined the 15c oil at BALDWIN'S Grocery this week and pronounced it A No. 1.**